

People on the Move

Human Resources reports the following personnel changes as of March 14:

New Hires

David Hudson transfers from KSC to Mission Operations' Flight Systems Division.

Reassignments

Mary Gavalas, administrative assistant, transfers from Center Operations to Engineering Directorate.

Joe Fries, deputy director, transfers from White Sands Test Facility to Center Operations.

Arnold Levine, aerospace flight systems, transfers from Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance to the Space Station Program Office.

Promotions

Alan Dover was recently promoted to Quality Assurance Specialist in the Safety Reliability and Quality Assurance Directorate.

Resignations

Kari Fluegel of Public Affairs; Gary Sham of Mission Operations; and Carmen Parsons of Space and Life Sciences.

Retirements

R.R. Reynolds of Mission Operations and James Visentine of Engineering.

Transfer to Other Centers

Earl Wood of the Office of the Chief Financial Officer transfers to Stennis Space Center and Michele Burch of the Space Station Program Office transfers to Kennedy Space Center.

Winchell to head legal, Ward PAO

Michael Winchell and Doug Ward have take on the responsibility of the Legal and Public Affairs offices.

Winchell has been selected as the chief counsel for JSC succeeding Henry Flagg who retired in January.

Since 1993, Winchell has served as chief counsel at Kennedy Space Center. He previously served as counsel for the Marine Corps Logistics Bases in Albany, Ga. His federal career began in 1977 with the General Services Administration where he attained the position of assistant regional counsel. He subsequently served as an administrative judge with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and as counsel for the U.S. Marine Corps Southeastern Bases.

Winchell is a native of Oklahoma.

He received a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1974 from Central State University, Edmond, Okla., and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Oklahoma.

JSC Director George Abbey named Doug Ward director of Public Affairs. Ward joined the center in 1966 as a public information specialist, providing support to the Gemini Program and the Apollo missions. Later, he moved to Headquarters to serve as the assistant executive officer to the associate deputy administrator. After two years at Headquarters, Ward returned to JSC where he has worked in progressively responsible positions in the Public Affairs Office. Prior to his most recent assignments as the acting director and the chief of the External Affairs Branch in PAO, Ward served as the special assistant



Mike Winchell

for Public Affairs in the Space Station Program Office.

In addition, Rob Navias has been named acting deputy director of the Public Affairs Office. Navias has worked as a public affairs specialist at JSC since 1993.

Leadership series to help expand vision

JSC is beginning a series of talks this month for center leaders.

"As we approach the challenges ahead of us, it is advantageous for us to hear from individuals and organizations who have faced challenges and problems similar to ours and to learn how they have dealt with them," said JSC Director George Abbey. "Through the George M. Low Leadership Series, we'll hear from government and industry leaders who will stimulate thoughtful discus-

sion and expand our vision."

The series sessions are currently targeted for four times a year and will feature a variety of speakers, both in and outside the aerospace community, who can give center leaders insight into leadership challenges in government and industry. The speakers will share their perspectives on leadership, the challenges they've overcome in their careers, and the lessons they've learned from those challenges.

The series was named in honor of former JSC Deputy Director George M. Low who managed the Apollo Spacecraft Program and later became deputy administrator.

The first session will be held the evening of April 29 at the Gilruth Center and feature Harry Stonecipher, president and chief executive officer of the McDonnell Douglas Corp. Attendance is by invitation only. For more information call Diane DeTroye at x35266.

JSC managers, employees receive Rotary space awards

The Rotary National Award for Space Achievement Foundation honored several JSC employees during a banquet in March at Space Center Houston.

JSC Director George Abbey received the prestigious National Space Trophy that is given annually by the foundation to one individual for outstanding leadership and personal commitment to space exploration. JSC Associate Director, Technical, John Young was honored with the Corona Award that recognizes a distinguished lifetime of achievement in the exploration of space and is made only when the foundation board members feel that exceptional merit demands the special conferment. The Corona Award has been given once before in 1992 to Robert Gilruth.

Dr. Michael DeBakey received the Space Technology Utilization Award and a special Space Communicator Award was given in memory of KTRH's reporter Stephen Gauvain.

Several JSC scientists, engineers and managers were honored with Stellar Awards at the banquet. Neil Lemmons of United Space Alliance, JSC's Jennifer Wagenknecht, Peter Gaiser of the Naval Research Laboratory, David Smith of McDonnell Douglas Aerospace, William Gerstenmaier of NASA's Moscow Mission Control Center, Neal Pellis of JSC and Garth Hull of Amers Research Center were honored for their outstanding contributions to the future of space.

Two teams were honored for their contributions to the space program. JSC's Mars Meteorite Research team of Everett Gibson and Dave McKay and Lockheed Martin's Kathie Thomas-Keptra and the Shuttle-Mir Space Station Docking Team of Steve Cavanaugh and Bruce Brandt of Boeing North American, Valerey Ryumin of RSC Energia and JSC's Tommy Holloway were honored with Stellar Awards.



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SECRETARIAL TOP HONORS—From left, Christine Cole of Engineering's System Test Branch receives the Marilyn J. Bockting Award for secretarial excellence from JSC Director George Abbey and Engineering Director Leonard Nicholson. Cole is a valuable team member because she receives, verifies, and logs test requests, coordinates and performs follow-ups to the test operation process. In addition, she has taken on the additional responsibility of travel coordinator for the Crew and Thermal Systems Division. Cole has spent many additional hours assuring that all of the branch functions as well as the needs of the division's travelers are accommodated in her normal timely, efficient and friendly manner.

Dates & Data

Today

Technical seminar: The Clear Lake Council of Technical Societies will host an "Innovations '97" seminar from 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m. April 11 at the Gilruth Center. For more information call Bill Best at 282-6970.

Astronomers meet: The JSC Astronomical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. April 11 at the Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3600 Bay Area Blvd. For more information call Chuck Shaw at x35416.

April 15

Open house: The Information Systems Directorate will host an open house of the Scientific and Technical Information Center from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. April 15 at Bldg. 45 annex. For more information call the STIC at x34240.

April 16

Spaceland Toastmasters meet: The Spaceland Toastmasters will meet at 7 a.m. April 16 at the House of Prayer Lutheran Church. For more information call Jeannette Kirinich at x45752.

Spaceteam Toastmasters meet: The Spaceteam Toastmasters will meet at 11:30 a.m. April 16 at United Space Alliance, 600 Gemini. For more information call Pat Blackwell at 282-4302 or Ben Black at 282-4166.

Astronomy seminar: The JSC Astronomy Seminar will be held at noon April 16 in Bldg. 31 Rm. 129. An open discussion meeting is planned. For more information call Al Jackson at x35037.

Scuba club meets: The Lunar fins will meet at 7:30 p.m. April 16 at Kemah Cantina. For more information call Fred Toole at x33201.

April 17

Directors meet: The Space Family Education board of directors will meet at 11:30 a.m. April 17 in Bldg. 45 Rm. 712D. For more information on this open meeting call Gretchen Thomas at x37664.

Glee club: The United States Naval Academy Glee Club will perform from 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. in

the Bldg. 3 cafeteria and from 3-3:30 p.m. in Teague Auditorium April 18. For details call the Equal Opportunity Program Office at 30600.

April 19

NTA meets: The National Technical Association will meet at 10 a.m. April 19 at Texas Southern University School of Technology, Rm. 316. For more information call Pam Denkins at x35272.

April 23

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Financial seminar: The Texas Gulf Coast Council of the National Management Association will host a "Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement," seminar from 6-9 p.m. April 23 and 30. Cost is \$60 per couple for NMA members and \$85 for non members. For details call Richard Hergert at 280-0444.

April 24

Radio club meets: The JSC Amateur Radio Club will meet at 7 p.m. April 24 at Piccadilly Cafeteria, 2465 Bay Area Blvd. For details call Larry Dietrich at 39198.

May 1

Warning system test: The site-wide Employee Warning System will undergo its monthly audio test at noon May 1. For more information call Bob Gaffney at x34249.

May 6

Financial seminar: The Texas

Gulf Coast Council of the National Management Association will host "Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement," seminar from 6-9 p.m. May 6 and 13. Cost is \$60 per couple for NMA members and \$85 for non members. For details call Richard Hergert at 280-0444.

May 8

Airplane club meets: The Radio Control Airplane Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. May 8 at Clear Lake Park Community Bldg. For more information call Bill Langdoc at x35970.

May 9

Astronomers meet: The JSC Astronomical Society will meet at 7:30 p.m. May 9 at the Lunar and Planetary Institute, 3600 Bay Area Blvd. For more information call Chuck Shaw at x35416.

May 10

Sailboat rides: The Clear lake Sailing Club will offer free sailboat rides May 10 at Clear Lake Park. For reservations call Richard Hoover at 996-7716.

May 13

NPMA meets: The National Property Management Association will meet at 5 p.m. May 13 at Robinette and Doyle Caterers, 216 Kirby in Seabrook. Social and dinner cost \$14. For more information call Sina Hawsey at x36582.

Aero club meets: The Bay Area Aero Club will meet at 7 p.m. May 13 at the Houston Gulf Airport clubhouse at 2750 FM 1266 in League City. For more information call Larry Hendrickson at x32050.

May 14

MAES meets: The Society of Mexican American Engineers and Scientists will meet at 11:30 p.m. May 14 in the Bldg. 3 cafeteria. For more information call G.D. Valle at x38835.

PSI meets: The Clear Lake/NASA Chapter of Professional Secretaries International will meet at 5:30 p.m. May 14 at the Holiday Inn, NASA Road 1. Dinner costs \$15. For additional information call Elaine Kemp at x30556.